

HOUSE No. 6079

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 25, 1984.

The committee on Election Laws, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 414) of Louis P. Bertonazzi for legislation to provide for the registration of voters at seventeen years of age; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2494) of Lawrence R. Alexander that a provision be made for an assistant registrar of voters at high schools and vocational schools; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2497) of Lawrence R. Alexander and other members of the House that provision be made for the distribution of voter registration applications to high school students; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2873) of Theodore C. Speliotis that provision be made for an assistant registrar of voters at high schools and vocational schools; reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 6079) ought to pass.

For the committee,

WILLIAM J. FLYNN, JR.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR VOTER EDUCATION AND VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION SESSIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 51 is hereby amended by striking out section 42C and
2 inserting in place thereof the following section: —

3 *Section 42C.* Voter education and voluntary registration ses-
4 sions shall be held by the registrars or election commissioners one
5 day each year between the 1st day of April and the 15th day of May
6 in each public, private and vocational high school in their cities
7 and towns. Said sessions shall take place as part of an educational
8 assembly for all seniors. This section 42C shall be in effect in each
9 city and town unless a majority of school committee members, by
10 recorded vote, chooses not to implement this provision.

11 A registrar or assistant registrar at a session held under this
12 section may receive affidavits of registration from registrants who
13 reside in any other city or town of the commonwealth. The regis-
14 trars shall forthwith transmit any *such completed affidavits* of
15 registration to the registrars of the city or town where the regis-
16 trant claims to reside, and said registrars shall receive such affida-
17 vits as provided in sections forty-six to forty-seven B, inclusive.